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STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF
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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement has been filed before the mailing of a first Office Action in the above-identified application.

No fee is required.

PART II: Information Cited

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

The Applicants also wish to bring to the Examiner's attention the following information:

The seven German references listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified) were cited in at least one of five oppositions filed against a European counterpart to a parent application of the present application. The European counterpart is EP Patent No. 1,016,062, EP Serial No. 98944539.0, corresponding to U.S. Patent No. 6,016,038 (U.S. Serial No. 08/920,146). The present application is a continuation-in-part (CIP) of U.S. Serial No. 09/669,121, which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 09/425,770 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,150,774), which in turn is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 08/920,146.

These seven German references originally were cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 10, 2003 in the present application. However, at that time, only English language translations of the Abstracts for some of these references were available. Applicants have since commissioned a full English translation for these seven references, and enclose the English translations herewith for the Examiner's consideration.

PART III: Remarks

Documents cited anywhere in the Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed unless otherwise indicated. It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

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Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

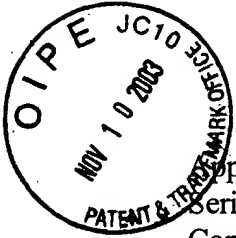
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Transmitted herewith are the following documents:

- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and Cited References
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 395-7000.

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		DE	9414689		Schlumer, Heinz-Dieter	02/02/1995	Yes
		DE	29620583	U1	Kundisch Microtech GmbH	03/27/1997	Yes
		DE	3917101		Rienecker Wolfgang Prof Dr Ing	11/29/1990	Yes
		DE	19602891	A1	Kammerer GmbH M	08/07/1997	Yes
		DE	3916875		Ullmann Ulo Werk	12/06/1990	Yes
		DE	19525897		Kostal Leopold GmbH & Co	10/02/1996	Yes
		DE	03837313		Cheng Eric	05/24/1989	Yes

OTHER ART — NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

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*a copy of this reference is not provided as it was previously cited by or submitted to the office in a prior application, Serial No. 09/669,121, filed September 25, 2000, and relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120 (continuation, continuation-in-part, and divisional applications).

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